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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements that were filed previously on September 1, 2004 and June 23, 2004, Applicants hereby submit a copy of a Communication of a Notice of Opposition that was mailed on November 17, 2004, with respect to patent family member European Patent Application No. EP 02 01 9563.2, in which the following documents were cited:

- (1) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 7-162590, together with an English language abstract and translation of the same;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 5,220,674;
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 5,414,494;

- (4) U.S. Patent No. 5,291,302. Applicants note that this document was cited previously in an Information Disclosure Statement and thus a copy is not being provided herewith; and
- (5) European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 465 011.

The pertinent portions and claims to which each document is relevant, as asserted by the opposer are set forth in the Communication of a Notice of Opposition.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of documents (1) and (5) are attached hereto and all of the documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. A copy of the Communication of a Notice of Opposition is also attached. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, then Applicants certify that documents (1)-(3) and (5) were first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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